

REMARKS

This Amendment is filed in response to the Office Action mailed Aug. 17, 2010. The Applicant respectfully urges that the application is in condition for allowance and requests issue of a notice of allowance. To the extent, however, that the Examiner may believe any objections or rejections are still applicable, they are respectfully traversed.

Claims 2, 3, 5-10, 14, 16-21, 23, 24, 26, 27, 29, 30 and 32-39 are now pending in the application.

Claims 2, 3, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10, 14, 16, 18, 20, 23, 24, 26, 29, 30, 32 and 33 have been amended.

New claims 35-39 been added.

Allowable Subject Matter

Claim 6, 17, 27, 33 and 34 have been allowed. As discussed below, the remaining existing claims in the application have amended to depend from such claims.

New claims 34-37 are dependent claims that depend from allowed claim 34. Accordingly, such claims are believed to be allowable at least due to their dependency.

New claim 38 is a system claim that includes limitations similar to allowed method claim 34. In light of the allowance of claim 34, claim 38 is also believed to be allowable.

Finally, new claim 39 is a dependent claim that depend from claim 38. Such claim is believed to be allowable at least due to its dependency.

Claim Rejections - 35 U.S.C. §102

At paragraphs 10-18 of the Office Action, claims 1-3, 13, 20, 22-24 and 28-30 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) over Karol et al., U.S. Patent No. 6,122,275 (hereinafter "Karol").

Claims 1, 13, 22 and 28 have been cancelled.

Further, claims 2, 3, 20, 21, 24, 29 and 30 have been amended to depended from allowed claims. Accordingly, such claims are believed to be allowable at least due to their dependency.

Claim Rejections - 35 U.S.C. §103

At paragraphs 19-30 of the Office Action, claims 4, 7, 9, 10, 14, 15, 18, 21, 25 and 31 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) over Karol in view of Henderson, U.S. Publication No. 2004/0042490 (hereinafter “Henderson”).

Claims 4, 15, 25 and 31 have been cancelled.

Further, claims 7, 9, 10, 14, 18 and 21 have been amended to depended from allowed claims. Accordingly, such claims are believed to be allowable at least due to their dependency.

At paragraphs 31-33 of the Office Action, claims 5, 16, 26 and 32 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) over Karol in view of Henderson, in further view of Ueno, U.S. Publication No. 2002/0009050 (hereinafter “Ueno”).

Claims 5, 16, 26 and 32 have been amended to depended from allowed claims. Accordingly, such claims are believed to be allowable at least due to their dependency.

At paragraphs 34-36 of the Office Action, claims 8 and 19 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) over Karol in view of Henderson, in further view of Deforche et al., U.S. Publication No. 2005/0232303 (hereinafter “Deforche”).

Claims 8 and 19 now depended from allowed claims. Accordingly, such claims are believed to be allowable at least due to their dependency.

In the event that the Examiner deems a telephone conversation desirable in disposition of this application, the Examiner is encouraged to call the undersigned attorney at (617) 951-2500.

In summary, all the independent claims are believed to be in condition for allowance and therefore all dependent claims that depend there from are believed to be in condition for allowance. The Applicant respectfully solicits favorable action.

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